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The BIG Question

By R. L. Brandt

Can the dying fellowship meeting live again? The question is too important to be treated lightly. A thoughtless "no" does it injustice. The implications are too great. An answer must be pursued as though our life depended on it- and in some ways it does.

No one will deny that the fellowship meeting has played an important role in our Movement. Thousands have been blessed by it. The association with others of like precious faith has encouraged and strengthened many; and the silent but powerful influence of this association has produced a spiritually well-balanced people.

Who among us has not been inspired at a fellowship meeting? Sometimes we have gone feeling, with Elijah, that we were almost alone on our Christian pilgrimage, but we have returned home feeling "mighty is the

Lord's army.' The fellowship meeting has welded our churches together such as no other force; and it has been an excellent means for uniting many hearts and hands on common projects. Yet it is dying a slow but certain death.

In the beginning, fellowship meetings were commonly all-day affairs. Even meetings of more than one day were not uncommon. Then, with a general speeding-up of travel and life itself, the afternoon-evening type of meeting took over. For years this has been the rule across the land. We recognize there have been exceptions but these were rare.

But the evolution of the fellowship meeting doesn't end there. The next step is departure from the afternoonevening type meeting. Already this has happened in not a few places. Its successor is the one-service fellowship meeting held in the evening.

From this point there is but a single step to death. Like the victim of a paralyzing disease, the fellowshipmeeting has gradually lost its vitality.

The question is: At this late date is there any hope for it? Is there some

I think the answer is wrapped up in an analysis of the causes. Some of the causes are self-evident. The more serious have subtly escaped our eye.

Changing times have left their mark. The industrial revolution of recent years with its accompanying employment of the masses has made its contribution. And the population shift from rural areas with their more casual way of life to suburban or city areas where life is a constant buzz

of activity, cannot be overlooked. Related to this is material prosperity with its accompanying de-emphasis of spiritual values. Few spiritual institutions have been able to succesfully withstand the pressures of material prosperity. What of the fellowship meeting?

But there is a more serious cause factor than all of those already mentioned combined. It is the fact that the fellowship meeting has degenerated into a "bless-me" institution. And where this happens, death is inevitable.

Listen to fellowship meeting announcements—"Everyone come and get blessed."-"If you are looking for a real blessing, don't miss the fellowship meeting."—ad infinitum.

Now, it is safe to seek the blessings of God to a point. But beyond that

point is death.

My four-year-old brother became very ill early one spring. He was taken to a hospital for treatment, but the doctor could not determine exactly what was wrong. After weeks in the hospital he recovered, except that his heart was damaged. To remedy this the doctor prescribed strychnine in small, regular doses. The response was immediate. In a short time the child was home again and had recovered sufficiently to play with the rest of us boys.

Then a terrible mistake was made. An increase in the strychnine dosage was ordered, evidently the result of a mistaken idea that if small doses of the medicine produced such good results, larger doses would do even better. But in a few days my parents awakened one morning to find the child seriously ill again. His eyes rolled in their sockets and one didn't need to look twice to know that he was in a desperate state. Quickly, he was bundled up and rushed to a child specialist some sixty miles away.

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1962 District Camp Meeting

As reported by REV. KENNETH SHORT

The Bethany Park Camp Meeting for 1962 is over-but not ended! It will live in the memories, the lives, and the ministry of the unprecedented crowds that attended each service.

From the inspiring hour of devotion and worship in the morning, to the closing hour of petition and deliverance in the evening, each day was signally blessed by the moving of

God's Holy Spirit.

Each morning Carl and Edna Goodwin conducted a glorious prayer hour that set the pattern for the entire camp. At the same hour Evangelist Lorne Fox administered king-sized injections of strong spiritual tonic to the ministers in the Minister's Clinic. This was followed by a combined gathering of all campers, to whom Brother Ralph M. Riggs gave an hour of solid, practical teaching that blessed and strengthened the entire body. These were mornings of Holy Ghost power and glory. While the adults were being thus ministered to, Alice Kirsch provided church for the child-

A guest speaker occupied the pulpit each afternoon. One of the highlights of the these afternoon meetings was the stirring Patriotic Rally on the Fourth of July in which Major Woods brought a dynamic message in the uniform of the chaplaincy. He was followed by a challenging testimony from Rev. Dick Williams, a Presby-terian minister of Live Oak, California, who told the thrilled congregation of the wonderful way in which God had baptized him in the Holy Spirit after the pattern of Acts 2:4.

The evening services were equally anointed of the Lord. The 6:00 o'clock hour witnessed a double-header each night. While missionary Bernard Johnson gripped the hearts of the young people in the Redwood Bowl, W.M.C. President, Goldia Anderson presented a different missionary speaker each evening in the tabernacle. There was also an eye-flagging W.M.C. missionary display that filled two large rooms!

Each day found its climax in the old time camp meeting service conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Lorne Fox at the 7:30 hour, and the glorious prayer service that followed. Charles Beadle, assistant pastor of First Assembly of God in Santa Cruz, did a masterful job in providing music for the camp. Musical groups from far and near brought down the blessing of the Lord in service after service. Many were saved, reclaimed, healed, filled and refilled with the

mighty Holy Spirit.

As usual, the entire camp seemed to find its peak in the colorful and moving missionary service on the concluding Sunday afternoon. Missionaries from many parts of the world marched to the platform, dres-sed in the costume of the people to whom they minister. After a powerful missionary message, delivered by missionary Thessage, derivered by missionary Charles Greenaway of Africa, an offering of more than \$5,000.00 in cash and pledges was received to provide transportation to the mission field for missionaries of the district.

Perhaps the feeling of all those who attended the camp could best be summed up in the words of a visitor from another denomination who told Brother Fox on the closing Sunday night of the glow that filled his life since being filled with the Spirit the previous Thursday night.

Yes, the Bethany Park Camp Meeting for 1962 is over-but not ended! The entire camp takes this opportunity to express heartfelt appreciation to Camp Director Joe Wright for a job well done!







GOD SHOWED ME A SHEPHERD WHO WAS NOT FEEDING HIS HUNGRY FLOCK, AND THIRSTY SHEEP SEARCHING FOR WATER ONLY TO FIND CHOKING DUST, BUT WHEN HE PROMISED THAT HE WOULD OPEN RIVERS IN HIGH PLACES . . .

I knew God was going to send His Holy Spirit! **By Paul Morris**

Once I was a self-sufficient Presbyterian minister who never dreamed he needed the Holy Spirit. I had degrees from Ursinus College and Princeton Seminary – plus a prep school background oozing with culture and prestige. What more could a man want for a successful ministry?

I found, in the summer of 1955, that there is a degree bestowed only by Christ Himself, and I needed that degree: the B.H.S.-the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. to discover this, I had to go to an Assembly of God church.

There I saw adults genuinely intrested in the Bible, filling the church on Sunday evening, young people with a redeemed expression who spoke about the Lord as if they knew Him, and a pastor, Norman Farrington, who preached the Word with grace, love and power!

This assembly resembled the churches I read about in the New Testament, I liked what I saw and heard: the Holy Spirit manifested in tongues and interpretations, bringing forth a message to the believers, all done "decently and in order."

Those messages pierced my selfsufficient veneer and spoke to the real man on the inside. It seemed God was encouraging me to seek Him and enter deeper into His life!

Many persons in that church had never attended college or seminary; yet, it was plain to see they had a MINISTER, HILLSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JAMAICA, NEW YORK

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heritage from God, and a first- hand knowledge of Him that I had never dreamed possible in this twentieth century.

What God had given them I wanted Him to give me! I still wanted to be a Presbyterian - and I hope to be one always-but I wanted to be a Presbyterian who was redeemed, filled with the Spirit, and walking close to God!

The love and kindness in Marion Farrington, the Pastor's wife, so attracted my own wife, Helen, that she wanted the Holy Spirit and began praying for Him. To my surprise, she said one day, "I think I've received!"

A bit uneasy to think a minister's wife could beat him to the blessing, I inquired, "How do you know?"

"I asked the Lord to give Him to me," she replied, "and I am able to speak a new language I don't understand."

That goaded me! I began to beg and plead with God. It was all I knew how to do in those pioneer days. Now, I find begging and pleading aren't necessary to receive the Holy Spirit.

In a moment of faith, I began to speak a few syllables of the new tongue the Spirit was giving me. Yet, there was no break-through, no victory, no release, no assurance that this was real. Bound with doubt and fear, I kept saying, "This is just me doing the talking.

Having been given one talent, I was like the man in the parableafraid to use it and cultivate it. So I quenched the Spirit and buried His

gift deep down inside.

But God wasn't done with me, and I'm glad He wasn't! One very low morning in August, 1956, I was ready to call it quits with the ministry. My wife was praying for me unbeknown to me, and passages in Isaiah 41 suddenly became alive as if God was speaking them directly to me!

My heart began to burn strangely as He assured my crushed spirit that He had really chosen me to be a minister, and I wasn't serving Him by accident or personal choice. I wasn't to be afraid, because He was with me and would strengthen me. He was even going to come and help

If any preacher ever did need help, I did; and if anyone ever would be able to help me, it could be none but the Lord Himself.

The Lord gave me a vision of my flock coming to the shepherd each Sunday morning for food but finding none. Searching for water, they milled around in the sand but took in only choking dust. I knew I had preached a dry sermon once in a while, but I had no idea my efforts were so dismal in God's sight!

God next told me what He was going to do for my people: "I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water!"

That meant only one thing— God was going to send His Holy Spirit into my church, a Presbyterian Church! This was more than I had asked, more than I had personally wanted. The thought of it bewildered and dismayed me, yet God assured me it wouldn't be an experience greater than I could bear. So there I was, a man with an assignment I hadn't asked for, from a God I scarcely knew!

A winter of soul-searching, kneebending, and sin-pruning brought the fragrant blossoms and fruit of 1957: for it was a night in June when two Lutherans and an Independent missionary visiting our home wanted to pray for a stricken sister.

To find the Lord's guidance in how to pray, the missionary, Mrs. Lila Ginter, suggested that one of us interpret a message in tongues. Unfortunately, none of us knew how to interpret, so Mrs. Ginter said, "Let's pray and maybe the Lord will indicate someone is to have the gift."

This seemed a bold venture to me, but I trusted this able handmaid of the Lord. After we prayed, she said, "I saw a vision of the Lord with a gift in His arm for Mrs. Morris. The gift is interpretation!"

Hastily within herself, Helen said "Oh no, Lord, not me! I never could speak well in public!"

She knelt, as we laid on hands requesting the Lord to give her the gift of interpretation. Someone spoke in an unknown tongue, and timid Helen boldly brought forth the interpretation—not in the English of a Jamaica housewife, but in the English of the King's court! The Spirit assured us the Shepherd watching over our sister in the hospital would bring her safely through! Sweetness and joy filled the air, although the Lutheran brother and I were frankly disappointed that we hadn't received a gift also!

Retiring that night, I became aware of the Lord's presence in our bedroom. I could feel His approach and knew it meant a fuller measure of the Holy Spirit for me. Like dew, the Spirit gently came over my head, shoulders, arms and body. "Lord, pour on your Spirit," I cried! "I want more and more and more—all that you'll give me. Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove!"

Soon a power was welling up within me, and I began to speak a new language with force. All my doubts and fears were blasted out the window. This was real and I knew it. My tongue became louder, until my wife awakened and began to interpret what I had been saying, an exhortation to walk humbly before the Lord so He could use us for His glory!

Now the Holy Spirit was ministering the things of Christ to us. For the first time we understood what the Word meant by His love and compassion; for He was there looking at me with all my faults, sins, and shortcomings—seeing every one of them—yet loving me with everlasting love.

Christ had now become for us a living, personal, contemporary Person, not merely a grand historical figure who had ascended generations ago from the presence of men.

Further, we felt at one with apostles and believers who, from Pentecost on, had been filled with the Spirit. What Christ had given them He had given us. We were glad for tongues, with interpretation, for they help to communicate the mind and

heart of the Lord to His people until He comes and meets them face to face. Then tongues and prophecies shall be needed no more.

The change in our lives was immediate and profound. The Spirit gave us a new boldness to speak for the Lord, just as He did to Peter who at Pentecost, the same Peter who squirmed when the damsel detected his Galilean accent.

Unknown to Helen and me, God had silently been preparing the hearts of a few others in the church by giving them a yearning for the Holy Spirit. As soon as we had received, we shared the good news and they also drank Him in with joy and gladness until they were filled!

All at once we had a new ministry: helping denominational people receive the Holy Spirit. Students at a nearby seminary came seeking each Sunday afternoon until one by one each received his apportioned heritage.

A student leaving for Africa had time for only a half hour of instruction and prayer, but the Lord speedily baptized him and sent him away equipped. Pat Robertson, another student, later was Spirit-led to Portsmouth, Virginia, to purchase and set in operaton America's first Christian television station.

A surprising number of denominational people have come inquiring and left overflowing. Ministers, such as Frank Turnbull, a Presbyterian missionary in Tennessee, have invited us to their churches to tell the good news and help them receive the Spirt. Nothing delights Helen and me more than visiting other flocks and explaining to them the beauty and power of God's Spirit, the blessings He brings, and the orderly way in which He moves. Most of this we learned at our services in Hillside, after we found out what it is to worship God in "spirit and in truth."

The Spirit has given us much love for one another, and for the flock. He ended my criticizing and fault-finding in a prophecy, saying, "Many are the faults of my people, and many are their short-comings, but I love them all!" He told me of their struggles and disappointments, their burdens and failures, until I wept with His compassion!

When some church members saw we were taking our stand for the Lord and the life in the Spirit, they found it was something they didn't want and quietly slipped away into neighboring churches. But God drew others in who wanted Christ and all His fullness. One woman joined because God showed her the church in a vision and let her know she belonged here!

The Spirit-filled group at Hillside has grown in numbers and stature, in grace and in love, and are doing a good work spreading the fragrance of Christ throughout the entire flock.

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit around the world among denominational minsters and laymen, including great numbers of Presbyterians, is extremely inspiring. We are ever appreciative of the early Pentecostals who found the way and endured the reproach. We are deeply grateful for the ministry of Full Gospel Men's Voice and Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International, which, more than any other single group outside our flock, has strengthened and encouraged us. In turn, we want our lives, our ministry, and our testimony to strengthen and encourage others!

BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

Some \$2,675.00 in scholarship awards were presented to twenty-one students by Bethany Bible College President Dr. C. C. Burnett during recent commencement services in Santa Cruz, California.

The awards ranged in amounts from \$100.00 to the grand scholarship of \$300.00. The breakdown is as follows: \$100.00—twelve; \$125.00—four; \$150.00—three; \$225.00—one; and \$300.00—one.

Sponsors of the awards included: Mrs. Willa Vae Bowles of Santa Cruz; Mr. David Sondeno, Mayor of Oakdale, California; Evangelist J. E. Reddick of Klamath Falls, Oregon; the Men's Fellowship group of Calvary Temple in Oakland, California; Mr. Phil Sondeno, member of BBC Board of Trustees; Bethany Alumni Association; Bethany Board of Trustees; Bethany Bible College; the BBC Student Body; and the BBC Faculty.

Basis of student selection by the Faculty Scholarship Committee were:

(1) academic accomplishment, (2) ministerial potential, (3) established need, (4) industry, and (5) personal qualifications.

Church News



ARCATA—Highway Cuty enjoyed a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. H. C. Lafferty in May. A number were saved and believers received the Holy Spirit. The Evangelist's daughter Gloria accompanies her parents contributing organ music as well as vocal. This meeting was followed by a revival in Cutler with Pastor Roy Pennington. E. M. McKim is pastor at Highway City Assembly.

CARMICHAEL – First Assembly heard the Eskelin Evangelists June 27-July 2. Ground was broken for the multi-purpose building early in June Their annual Missionary Convention was held in May with John McPherson, Ruth Couchman, Bernard Johnson and H. B. Garlock speakers. The pastor is L. W. Suter.

CUPERTINO — Ralph M. Riggs was a recent guest speaker for Pastor H. Russell Baker.

DAVIS—Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Kirsch of Bethany Bible College and the family of Mrs. Martha Wood were present June 10. They provided special music and Brother Kirsch delivered a stirring message. Special material is being prepared to interest 178 girl students who are moving into new apartments adjacent to the church. Davis is the newest Home Missions church and Melvin Johnson is pastor.

ELKO, NEVADA — Pastor Harold Smith reports on the Nevada Crusade for Christ, Pastor Floyd Thomas of Glad Tidings Temple, San Francisco was the speaker. At least four backsliders were at the altar. Pastor Smith welcomes the California brethren who come to minister.

EUREKA—First Assembly enjoyed a wonderful move for God under the ministry of Evangelist Walter Larson of Modesto. An undetermined number were saved and 15 or more received the Holy Spirit. The meetings were a real spiritual stimulus to the church. The pastor is Johnnie Smith.

LOYALTON—Pastor Bradford Wilmoth reports a revival with Evangelist Ruth Jackson of Texas. During the six weeks of meeting several were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

MILL VALLEY—District Superintendent and Mrs. Joseph L. Gerhart were guest speakers May 6 for Pastor James Walton. Report of their mission-

ary trip was given and pictures shown. MODESTO—Bethel Church enjoyed a revival meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Ernie Eskelin in May. On June 17 George Effman presented the American Indian field of Home Missions. A missionary Musical was held June 22 with Einar Waermo, Swedish tenor, and Robert Bowman, formerly of Haven of Rest joined their voices in an evening of inspiration. This was followed by 20 minutes of slides of the Far East Broadcasting Company's radio outreach. From June 24 to July 1 John G. Hall gave a series of prophetic messages using his 30 foot Dispensational Chart. L. B. Lewis is pastor.

OAKLAND — Calvary Temple heard Evangelist Joseph Copeland of the Pocket Testament League on June 5. James Hill is the new assistant pastor and was welcomed June 10 with a reception in the fellowship hall. On June 17 Missionary Ralph Cobb from Nigeria spoke. Oliver L. Foth is pastor.

RICHMOND—Full Gospel heard Mrs. May Swanson of Bethany on June 10. J. Boyd Wolverton is pastor.

SACRAMENTO—Bethel Temple's pastor Clyde Henson had as guest speaker on June 17 Assistant General Superintendent Bert Webb.

SALINAS—Calvary Assembly had the ministry of the Waymakers' Quartet May 2. Doug Gaetz who had been assisting Pastor Ray Oliver for two years while attending Bethany has returned to his home in Canada. His successor is Ray Shelton, a junior at Bethany. A farewell luncheon was given Gaetz May 27.

SAN JOSE—Calvary Temple heard guest speaker Rev. David DuPlessi on June 10. T. Kermit Jeffrey is pastor.

SANTA ROSA—First Assembly observed their 7th Annual Missionary Convention May 31-June 4. Special speakers were Arthur Lindvall, Ray Oliver. Paul Demetrus, Bernard Johnson and William Roberts. Pastor Kermit Jeffrey of San Jose was speaker at a Father and Son banquet June 12. William O. Vickery is pastor.

SUNNYVALE—Recent speakers for Pastor Ralph Hillegas were Ralph M. Riggs. Luther Sundarland and assistant pastor Curtis Myers.

SUTTER-Pastor Vernon B. May-

hall reports a revival with Evangelist Olene Adams of Grass Valley. Twenty received the Holy Spirit, saints were refilled and refreshed. A number were converted and reclaimed.

TURLOCK—Bethel Temple heard Revivaltime Choir directed by Cyril McLellan and followed by a message given by Stanley Michael on June 5. Dr. Gene Scott ministered June 17-24. His subject was "A week with the Word". Robert Carrington is pastor.

UKIAH—Evangelist Raymond Miller held a meeting for Pastor W. C. Jones May 3-20. A W.M.C. Sectional Rally was held in Ukiah May 22 with Phyllis Jones of Vallejo and Mrs. Doris Johnson speakers. Evangelist Wayne Pyzer was guest speaker June 10. D.V.B.S. was held June 17-22 with Rev. and Mrs. Orville Phillips of Newberg, Oreg. conducting the program.

VALLEJO—First Assembly heard Missionary Harlan Park of China June 3. The Musical Eskelins held meetings June 13-24. The pastor is Rev. Bottroff.

WINTERS—Evangelist Schelly filled the pulpit in June while Pastor and Mrs. Pratt vacationed.

SAN FRANCISCO—J. Paul Burton, Jr. has recently become Minister of Youth and Christian Education at Glad Tidings Temple reports Pastor Floyd Thomas.

RACKERBY—Rev. R. Holder writes that at their gathering in Feather Falls, two Indian women and two Indian men accepted Christ. He feels that the Prayer Fellowship has already brought results to his ministry.

VALLEJO—The North Vallejo Assembly had the District Superintendent and wife as guest speakers May 27th. The church has had a continuous growth both spiritually and numerically. Since January, ten have been saved and ten filled with the Holy Spirit and twenty-three have been added to the church membership. V. T. Eldridge is pastor.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER...

On July 7, 1962, a 7 lb., 15 oz. daughter was born to Rev. and Mrs. Robinson, Pastor of the Hollister Assembly.

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CLASS OF 1962

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Pictured above (left to right) are those students who received their B. A. degrees
FRONT ROW: Charles Ness, Vancouver, Washington; Lela Fern Folkers, Reedley; Marian Stover, Taft;
Billie Sommerfeld, Santa Rosa; Emily Rodgers, Stockton; Caroll Turner, Sacramento.

SECOND ROW: Dean Dormandy, San Jose; D. J. Gaetz, Canada; Buster Martin, Santa Cruz; Gary Hall,
Alaska; Allen Antons, Richmond; Larry Rostocil, Berkeley; Charles Snyder, Santa Cruz; Howard Van
Arsdale, San Jose.

THIRD ROW: Richard Haynes, Santa Cruz; Lyndel Barber, Live Oak; Thomas Cameron, Phoenix, Arizona;
Gerald Roles, Kelso, Washington; Larry Sellars, Lakeport; Dewey Short, Caruthers; David E. Opie,
San Leandor; Robert Rannells, Sparks; Donald Raupp, Shingle Springs.

Not Pictured are the diploma graduates.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SECRETARY **EMBARKS ON WORLD SURVEY**

On Monday morning, July 9, Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Wilson boarded the plane and began their flight to various mission fields. They will be making stops in London, Paris, Frankfort, Zurich, Rome and Ghana on their way to South Africa where they will be able to spend some time with their son Lewis and his family. Visits will be made to Nyasland, Tanganyika, Egypt, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Athens. They will arrive in Springfield, Missouri, in time for Brother Wilson to attend the General Presbyters meeting the latter part of Auggust and will be home about September 1.

BETHANY GRADUATES THIRTY-FOUR

Thirty-four students graduated from Bethany Bible College in recent commencement services at Beulah Park, Santa Cruz. Those graduates receiving their BA degrees for the four-year course numbered 25; those receiving diplomas for the three-year course, nine.

A few days following the closing exercises, a quick poll revealed that of the 34 graduates, ten were to assume assistant pastor positions; two, pastors; three, missionary preparations; two, evangelists; five, Christian education positions; and three, planned to continue studies in seminary and abroad. This represents 70 per cent of the graduating class who are entering active Christian Service.

A recent survey of the graduates since the Class of '55, as conducted by the college Public Relations Office, also showed that approximately 70 per cent of the graduates during that period of time entered active Christian Service.

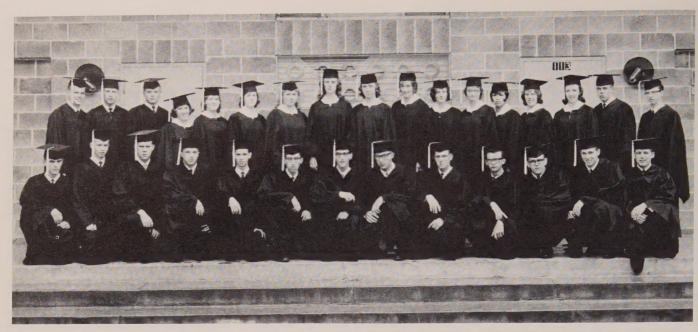


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CAPITOL	1,996	6,800	4,861.	1,275.00
CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN	1,575	5,200	580.	357.00
COAST COUNTIES	1,054	3,600	2,500.	1,714.16
CONTRA CONSTA	409	1,400	445.	121.40
EAST BAY	1,499	5,100	2,002.	686.00
LAKE BERRYESSA	496	1,700	515.	55.00
LAKE - MENDOCINO	299	1,000	235.	31.00
LASSEN-PLUMAS	187	700	100.	20.00
NORTH BAY	401	1,400	412.	113.00
NORTHERN NEVADA	125	400	0.	5.00
NORTH SAN JOAQUIN	976	3,400	236.	35.00
PENINSULA	2,655	9,000	3,737.	2,305.10
REDWOOD	592	2,000	542.	165.75
SACRAMENTO VALLEY	621	2,100	110.	50.00
SHASTA	204	700	100.	0.00
SIERRA NEVADA	258	900	574.	54.83
SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN	780	2,700	337.	20.00
MISCELLANEOUS		-		130.50



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JUDY ANDERSON



Ambitious Ambasador, Judy Anderson, spent four and one half years in Africa. She is missionary George B. Anderson's 17-year-old daughter. While in Ghana, Africa, Judy started a class of Missionettes, teaching them to sew and work with their hands. She also taught a religious class in a government school, helped her family start a Sunday School and played her accordion in village serv-

Judy and her brother returned to California last year to attend Monte Vista Christian School in Watsonville where she graduated as Valedictorian of her class. Extra curricular school activities included being on the Student Council, Cheerleader, member of the Chior and a girls trio and Pep Rally member. She states, "I consider it a privilege to have attended Monte

A quotation from her valedictory speech, "We, the graduating class of Monte Vista-and you as youth of today have a great work challenge ahead of us. We are not promised an easy road to travel on in this life. How then are we expected to fulfill this great task which has been left in our hands to do? Once again, let us turn to the Word of God for guidance. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.'

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EMERALD COVE RETREAT FOR **COLLEGE AGE** YOUTH

Eight-five college-age youth from various parts of California converged recently on Emerald Cove Retreat, Bass Lake, for a week-end retreat. Beginning Friday, May 4th and concluding with Sunday noon meal, May 6th the retreat was co-sponsored by the Northern California-Nevada and Southern California District Christ's Ambassadors, along with several Chi Alpha groups.

Speakers were Rev. Robert Carrington, pastor of Bethel Temple, Turlock, and Rev. Loren Cunningham, director of Youth with a Mission. The full slate of activities on Saturday was concluded with a fagot service, A tremendous move of God's Spirit was evidenced as He used two college students in a message in tongues and interpretation. As a result, a spirit of prayer pervaded until well after midnight.

The retreat theme was sincerely developed in the hearts of the young people—"In Times Like These...A Commitment."

YOUTH CAMPS... **ADVANCE REPORT**

D-CAP, Steve Asmuth, gives a good report of the Youth Camps thus far conducted around the district. At Lake Tahoe where 85 young people attended there were many youth saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Likewise at the Bass Lake camp it is reported that the Lord blessed in an outstanding way, the 30 young people

The Mt. Lassen Camp now in progress, reports 250 young people there and the services have been outstanding with many already saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. We are trusting the Lord for His blessing at the coming camps, Bethany Park and Redwood as He has been so gracious in these first three of the Youth Camp season.

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- 2. Whereas the Youth Mission was originally scheduled to assemble in Los Angles Friday night, August 10, for a night-time flight, it is now scheduled to assemble Saturday noon, August 11, for a day-time flight. This permits travel to Los Angeles on Saturday morning. Return will be on Saturday, August 18.

For information, write Inter-American Youth Mission, P.O. Box 7, Fresno, California.

S.F. Glad Tidings Holds Kids Kamp

On June 21-23rd, twenty-two members of the Junior and Junior High departments and eight staff members of Glad Tidings Temple in San Francisco attended their first Kids Kamp held at the YMCA Campgrounds at La Honda. As our special feature, we were honored with the well-known Christian ventriloquist, "Bill" Somerfeld. It was a wonderful success, with many reconsecrating their lives to Christ, three experienced salvation for the first time and many felt a real hunger for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Not only did the young people feel the power of the Holy Spirit surge through the room, but those of the staff were also wonderfully blessed of God.

Jackie Bauman.

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THE BIG QUESTION

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A hurried examination followed and the doctor quizzed my parents about the treatment the child had been receiving. Then came the tragic word, "I'm sorry to tell you, but your child is going to die of strychnine poisoning.

In a few days his body was laid to rest in a lonely cemetery on the North Dakota prairie. The very thing which had been such a blessing when it was given in small doses became a curse when given in larger quantity.

For my brother, there was no cure. The cause was discovered too late. But it is not too late to revive the dying fellowship meeting. If we have the courage to eliminate the cause we will have found the cure.

The days of our infancy are past. Whereas once we understood and thought as children, the time is now come to "put away childish things." We must face our probems and solve

Obviously, the cure involves a complete change in emphasis and a switch in the focus of attention. Objectives need to be redefined and then diligently pursued.

Extreme care must be taken in chartering a new course. The paths of the past seem to lead us down a dead end street. We don't want it to happen again.

The focus of our attenion will govern this. It must be switched from ourselves to others. This is true fellowship-not only the sharing of company and communion with God and His children, but the sharing of God's concern, compassion and suffering on behalf of lost men.

Paul's great objective is tops as a fellowship meeting objective: "That I may know Him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto His death." (Phil. 3:10)

It would be sheer presumption for us even to hint that we have all the answers on how the objective is to be reached. But together we can find the answers. Our space men have not always been successful in their first attempts. Failures, however, have not discouraged them. They have gone on. And the whole world rejoices over their victories. This can be our experience.

What can we do to get started? The check list below spells out some

suggestions:

1. Designate the next fellowship meeting as a time to prayerfully consider the whole problem. The pro-blem will never be solved until we go to work on it.

2. Determine definite objectives for future fellowship meetings.

- 3. Lay careful plans for these meetings in the light of the new object-
- 4. Consider the possibility of using part of the fellowship meeting time for serious study sessions on such subjects as:

(a) The need in our section for new Assemblies of God churches.

- (b) The need district-wise and nation-wise.
- (c) Various ways and means of opening new churches.

(d) The selection of pioneer pas-

- (e) Support for pioneer church projects.
- (f) Sites for pioneer churches. (g) How to obtain and make the best use of vocational volunteers.

(h) Christian laymen and pioneer

projects.

(i) The functions of the Sunday school, Women's Missionary Council, Christ's Ambassadors, and Men's Felowship in relation to pioneer projects.

5. Let the evening service be inspirational, but, at the same time, let it be governed by an outreach emphasis.

Yes, the dying fellowship meeting can live again. In the final analysis, we ourselves, will decide its fate.

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In 1952 fire wiped out one of the buildings and the big task of rebuilding began. Today a lovely new dormitory, housing the boys on the first floor and the girls on the second, stands as a monument to the faithfulness of God.

Almost every child in this orphanage has the background of a broken home. Each has known abuse, neglect, hunger, lack of loving care, and lack of any kind of security. Caring for them, especially the newcomers, takes a great deal of wisdom, patience, and love. For instance, take the case of Allen, another seven-year old, who came to the home some time ago. The supervisor tells his story as follows:

"Allen had scrounged around for food and for cigarette stubs from the gutters until he was wild-eyed, hungry, ragged little boy. He had huddled in hallways and doorways at night trying to get a little warmth while he slept. A welfare worker reported his condition to me, for she knows that in this Home the children are well fed and well cared for and loved, trained, and helped in every

way possible. Now, Allen has learned that bad language and cruel actions are not allowed in the Home, just as he has learned that here he always has all he can eat of good, nourishing, delicious food; that he is loved and wanted; that he always has clean warm clothing and a clean bed in which he can sleep in comfort and security."

"Allen has gained weight. The wild look has gone from his eyes. He is becoming a well-behaved, good-looking little boy result of the loving care bestowed upon him by all the Home staff."

Many of the children who have grown up in the home are Christian workers. Others are following chosen careers and are a credit to the communities where they live.

Through the years, Women's Missionary Council groups have provided new clothing for the children who attend the public schools and should be dressed acceptably. Also, they have contributed other gifts of much needed equipment and food.

A list of the names, sizes of clothing, and birthdays will be sent to you from our office if you will write requesting it. Your interest in helping us clothe and feed these children will make possible this ministry among the orphans of Alaska to continue.

Miss Rose Ellen Rosier is an appointed missionary form our District to the Juneau home and has been a real blessing to the Johnsons with the many tasks.



Children from the Children's Home lineup for a picture!

STURGEONS RETURN

Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Sturgeon have just returned from a glorious time in the Orient where they had a wonderful pentecostal outpouring.

NEWS FROM BOLIVIA

Leland and Shirley Good, missionaries to Bolivia, are rejoicing in the progress being made in their building programs. Plans were made for the dedication of the new church building at Colquiri in July. Rapid progress is being made on the building in Huanuni. Almost all of the work is being done by the nationals.

At recent services with two evangelists from the States Leland had his first experience in the interpretation of full sermons. Four believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and several were healed. On a trip to Oruro with Bryan Mock about 15 souls were saved.

The Goods report that each Sunday night they hear Mark Buntain's broadcast from the S.F. station after that the one from Bethel Temple.

Miss HELEN RYE arrived back in Jamaica the last of June and reports that she has been able to purchase the Speed-the-Light vehicle and is already busily engaged in her missionary activities.

Miss INEZ KREISS of India reports that 22 children left their school for other schools after completing a high standard of work. One 5th grade lad wrote 222 verses of Scripture without a mistake in the Bible contest. Miss Kreiss is still in need of much prayer for her body.

Miss RUTH COUCHMAN who arrived on furlough from Argentina the last of February has been enjoying a quiet time of recuperation. She plans to start itineration early in September.

The JAMES BAKERS arrived home from Formosa by jet on July 5th. After spending some time with relatives and friends in Portalnd, Oregon, they expect to be at home in Pacific Mission Villa the first week of August. Road, Santa Cruz.



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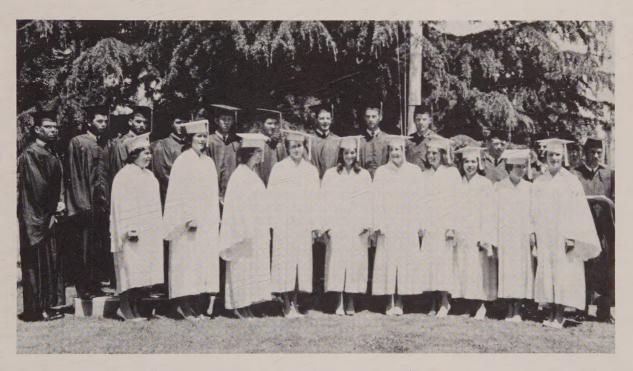
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NEW DEAN OF STUDENTS FOR B.B.C.

The Reverend Elmer E. Kirsch, assistant professor of Social Science and Language Arts at Bethany Bible College of Santa Cruz, California, was recently appointed to serve as Dean of Students at the college, according to an announcement by College President Dr. C. C. Burnett. Mr. Kirsch, originally from Wisconsin, has been a member of the college faculty for the past year.

Although the position of Dean of Students is new to the college administrative structure, the establishment of the post was anticipated for some time.

Mr. Kirsch attended Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri, for three years, and was graduated cum laude from Taylor University in Upland, Indiana, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Science. He continued graduate work in History at the University of Wisconsin and later earned his Master of Education degree in Counselling from Toledo University, Toledo, Ohio.

Since his ordination into the Assemblies of God ministerial fellowship, Rev. Kirsch has pastored churches in Wisconsin, served as sectional C. A. representative, Minister of Youth, teacher and counsellor in youth camps, and more recently was a member of the Juvenile Bureau of Whitewater, Wisconsin.

For three years Mr. Kirsch taught at the high school in Clinton, Wis-

REV. ELMER E. KIRSCH



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Your Sunday School provides a social life. The right kind is profitable. I John 1:3-7 declares that the fellowship of Christians is meant for those who know Christ and walk in the Spirit. The social life of a church is as valuable. in its way, as any other activity of any other department. There is no other social institution so influential upon its members as the Sunday School.

The Sunday School pays educationally. The Sunday Schools started by Mr. Raikes in Gloucester, England, were the beginnings of popular education. The world owes a debt to

By Dave Colbert the Sunday School for setting the

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II Timothy 2:15 is a scriptural command to study in order to be appoved unto God. The Sunday School is educating millions today.

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The Sunday School pays spiritually. This is the greatest of all its dividends. We must remember that from 80% to 85% of all church members come through the Sunday School. The church owes its very life to the Sunday School. Eighty-five per cent of the churches of America were first started as Sunday Schools. Records show that 95% of all the preachers of the Protestant churches of America came from the Sunday School.

Because boys and girls go to Sunday School today, men and women will go to Sunday school tomorrow.

The Sunday School is the greatest harvest field. There are more unsaved people in attendance in Sunday School than in any other service of the church. It usually has them at the best time of their lives when are young and impressionable.

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The Sunday School is an investment for the entire family that pays incalculable dividends. Invest in Sun-

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consin, while holding a pastorate in Whitewater, Wisconsin. During this time he served as sponsor of the senior class. He was also Chairman of the North Central self-evaluating committee at the same high school. Later, he taught at the high school in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Kirsch, as Dean of Sudents, will be responsible for all student-related activities. He will direct the program counselling and guidance for students in their vocational, personal and academic pursuits. In keeping with this effort, his office will maintain a counselling file for the entire student body. He will also be the co-ordinator of all student-related school functions during the school vear

HEALDSBURG ASSEMBLY

Evangel Assembly of God at Healdsburg which was established a little over a year ago shows an attendance of 37 for Sunday School and church on Easter Sunday. At a recent missionary convention \$26 per month was pledged from this group. Charles A Hartman is pastor.

FLOYD THOMAS... ON MEN'S RETREAT

Winning men for Christ is an obligation placed upon us by the Great Commission and an example that was set by Andrew. Where can one find a better atmosphere than in a Men's Retreat that reminds one of the times when Christ and His disciples went apart from the multitude for inspiration for the work to be done.

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REPORT ON TWO M.F. RALLIES

By Norman Hahn

On May 18, at the First Assembly of God Church in Eureka, a crowd of 500 people were held spellbound as Rev. Richard Williams, Presbyterian minister; Joan Baker and Jean Stone, Episcopalian lay women, and Bernie Boals, Christian Church layman testified how they had received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. The climax of this Rally was to see 30 people receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit evidenced by speaking in a heavenly language.

The next night, May 19, at the First Assembly of God Church in Sunnyvale, there were at least 700 people packed into this sanctuary until there was no room and they still came. This same team poured out their hearts for two and a half hours in sincere Christian love and the Holy Spirit baptized no less than 50 people. There was such a precious move of the Spirit that most of the people stayed for another hour in intercessory prayer for those that were being filled.

Since these meetings, numbers of preachers have asked to have rallies in their areas. I received a letter from Jack Edgar, our District Secretary Treasurer. Here is a paragraph of this letter:

"Norman, don't let anything discourage you in this move for God, as it surely is the latter day outpouring. I thought when a little house wife like Jean Stone has personally witnessed 4000 filled with the Holy Spirit, it is time for us Assemblies of God folks to get going for God."

REDWOOD SECTION

Rev. Murray, Presbyter

We certainly have seen a move of the Holy spirit in the Redwood Section since the Rally in Eureka with our Men's Fellowship Director and the Team. Their testimonies were convincing and caused the hearts of our people and myself to be stirred to move forward with God. This has made us realize that we need to be stirred anew and to have a testimony that is fresh. We rejoice in the Lord for what He is doing in the denominational churches.

Mens' Retreat Has Many Advantages

Leland R. Keys. Pastor of Bethel Church, San Jose, California.

In thinking about the advantages of a Men's Retreat four facts suggest themselves to me:

First, it is Scriptural for men to draw apart from the busy world of hurry and worry for the pupose of physical refreshment. This has the sanction of Jesus. You will remember that right in the middle of great activity, when the apostles were busiest and "many were coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat," Jesus said to these busy men, "Now come along to some quiet place by yourselves, and rest for a little while." (Mark 6:31 Phillips). This was clearly physical rest.

Second, in times like these it is especially important that men should take time out for *spiritual* refreshing. We all need it; our lives are impoverished for the lack of it. When the prophet Isaiah foretold of blessing to come and of supernatural movings of the Holy Spirit upon God's people, he added these words, "This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing." This is clearly *spiritual* quickening.

Third, one of the greatest needs of men is *fellowship* with other men of like precious faith. Fellowship has been defined as "two fellows in a ship." Much is said about fellowship in the Bible. We know that God approves of it and encourages it. In Malachi 3:16 we read, "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another; and the Lord hearken, and heard it . . ." This is *social* fellowship, pleasing to God and approved by Him.

Last of all, Moral re-enforcement. On the back of that dime in your pocket is the Roman fascia,-a bundle of rods bound together about an ax. This was a symbol of strength. Any one of these rods, standing by itself, could be easily broken. But bound together, they were unbreakable and invincible. The strength of all became the strength of one. The one rod partook of the combined strength of all the other rods and therefore, in this sharing, it was strong. Thus it is with a men's retreat. A man comes to realize that he is not isolated; that he does not stand alone. He is a partaker of the strength that comes from the union with his brothers. Therefore he goes

forth from the retreat with new courage in his soul, a song in his heart, and a new and greater determination to live for God.

REV. WRIGHT -- SALINAS

After attending the M. F. Rally in Sunnyvale being thoroughly challenged by the Spirit-filled testimonies of our denominational friends, we have experienced a wonderful revival in our church. In the past two weeks eleven have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and we are enjoying a tremendous move of the Spirit throughout the city of Salinas.

REV. OLIVER -- PRESBYTER

We are enjoying a move of the Holy Spirit in our section such as hasn't been evidenced in many years. This was sparked at the Men's Felowship Rally in Sunnyvale. We are planning a similar M. F. Rally with this same team for our section the last part of October. The activity of the Holy Spirit in the denominational churches has made me realize that we must move as the Spirit leads.



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